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**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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<i>Attorney Docket No.</i>	082380-00661
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<i>Title</i>	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY DRILLING AND BACKREAMING A HORIZONTAL BORE UNDERGROUND
<i>Express Mail Label No.</i>	EL452663275US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 40]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
-Descriptive title of the invention
-Cross Reference to Related Applications
-Statement regarding Fed sponsored R & D
-Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
-Background of the Invention
-Brief summary of the invention
-Brief description of the drawings (*if filed*)
-Detailed Description
-Claims
-Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 19]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 5]
- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (*Appendix*)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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ii. paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement
(when there is an assignee) Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
12. Information Disclosure Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-art (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/481,351

Prior application information: Examiner Raymond W. Addie

Group Art Unit: 3671

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